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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THREE-DIMENSIONALLY DETERMINING THE REFRACTIVE INDEX OF TRANSPARENT OR PARTIALLY TRANSPARENT LAYERS Customer No: 26694

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY

MS Amendment Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2009, the three-month shortened statutory period for response being April 22, 2009, a petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently with this Amendment. Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply. Any necessary additional fees are hereby authorized to be charged, and any <u>overpayments</u> credited to, our Deposit Account No. 22-0261, referencing our docket no. 31583-226294. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.